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Applicant: SMITH and McAULEY )  
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For: BREATHING ASSISTANCE )  
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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 31 1. (Twice Amended) A device for controlling the gas flow between a pressurised

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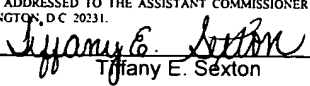
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x 42 =	\$ .00
+ 140 =	\$ .00
TOTAL	
ADDIT. FEE	\$ .00


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